

US VISIT : The world's largest biometric application

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Biometric Identity Screening Services

In 2004, the United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology (US-VISIT) Program became the first, large-scale biometric identification program of its kind, enabling the collection of international travelers' biometrics—fingerprints and a digital photograph—at U.S. ports of entry. Today, the United States is not alone in recognizing the benefits of biometrics for immigration and border management.



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A Day in the Life of US-VISIT

- 97,000 identities enrolled or verified at the ports of entry for US Customs and Border Protection and US Border Patrol
- 11,000 Applicants identities enrolled or verified for US Citizenship and Immigration Services
- 3,500 Immigration violators identities enrolled or verified for US Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- 9 Illegal migrants' identities enrolled or verified for US Coast Guard at sea
- 26,800 Visa applicants' identities enrolled or verified for the US Department of State
- 7,000 Fingerprints verified as part of investigation support across agencies, helping solve crimes, identify John Does, and support terrorist investigations
- 500 identities of criminals, immigration violators and Known or suspected terrorists enrolled or verified for DOD and intelligence agencies



IDENT: “Automated Biometric Identification System”

Biometric processing system for rapid identification and verification utilizing fingerprints

- World’s Largest: 110 Million People
- World’s Fastest: 300,000 Transactions/Day
- 220 Million Transactions (Encounters) Processed
- Over 160 Million Identifications and Verifications
- Over 65,000 Wanted Criminals Identified (Including DC Snipers)
- Matcher Power of over 500 Million Matches/Sec
- Inputs From Over:
 - 15,000 DHS Users
 - 5,000 Work Stations
 - 210 Overseas Consular Posts
- Automated Synchronization with FBI IAFIS



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Looking Ahead

- Multimodal biometrics
- Work with increased number of international partners
- Work with the private sector on new and innovative ways to support our operational stakeholders
- Prepare for the decision on biometric air exit